

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449A-PTO

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT**

(use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet

1

of

2

Complete if Known

Application Number	09/893,122
Filing Date	June 26, 2001
First Named Inventor	Hassan MOSTAFAVI
Art Unit	2882
Examiner Name	Craig E. Church
Attorney Docket Number	264/027

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Document Number	Publication Date MM-DD-YY	Name of Patentee or Application of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number - Kind Code ² (if known)			
CEL	1	US-4,710,717	12-01-87	Pele et al.	
CEL	2	US-4,853,771	08-01-89	Witriol et al.	
CEL	3	US-4,895,160	01-23-90	Reents	
CEL	4	US-4,971,065	11-20-90	Pearce	
CEL	5	US-5,513,646	05-07-96	Lehrman	
CEL	6	US-5,565,777	10-15-96	Kanayama et al.	
CEL	7	US-5,588,430	12-31-96	Bova et al.	
CEL	8	US-5,662,112	09-02-97	Heid	
CEL	9	US-5,993,397	11-30-99	Branson	
CEL	10	US-6,144,874	11-07-00	Du	
CEL	11	US-6,296,613	10-02-01	Emmenegger et al.	
CEL	12	US-6,300,974	10-09-01	Viala et al.	
CEL	13	US-6,348,058	02-19-02	Melkent et al.	
CEL	14	US-6,434,507	08-13-02	Clayton et al.	
CEL	15	US-6,527,443	03-04-03	Vilsmeier et al.	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date MM-DD-YY	Name of Patentee or Application of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T ³
		Country Code ² - Number ⁴ - Kind Code ⁵ (if known)				
CEL	16	WO 98/38908	09-11-98	Schneider Medical Technologies, Inc.		

Examiner's
Signature

Church

Date
Considered

11/04

* EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

The collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing this form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449A-PTO

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT**

(use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet

2

of

2

Complete if Known

Application Number

09/893,122

Filing Date

June 26, 2001

First Named Inventor

Hassan MOSTAFAVI

Art Unit

2882

Examiner Name

Craig E. Church

Attorney Docket Number

264/027

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Document Number Number - Kind Code ² (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YY	Name of Patentee or Application of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
CEL	17	US-6,611,617 B1	08-26-03	Crampton	
CEL	18	US-6,621,889 B1	09-16-03	Mostafavi	
CEL	19	US-6,724,930 B1	04-20-04	Kosaka et al.	
CEL	20	US-2003/0210812 A1	11-13-03	Khamene et al.	
CEL	21	US-5,482,042	01-09-96	Fujita	
CEL	22	US-5,619,995	04-15-97	Lobodzinski	
CEL	23	US-5,622,187	04-22-97	Carol	
CEL	24	US-5,638,819	06-17-97	Manwaring et al.	
CEL	25	US-5,662,111	09-02-97	Cosman	
CEL	26	US-5,771,310	06-23-98	Vannah	
CEL	27	US-5,820,553	10-13-98	Hughes	
CEL	28	US-5,912,656	06-15-99	Tham et al.	
	29	US-6,076,005	06-13-00	Sontag et al.	
	30	US-6,144,875	11-07-00	Schweikard et al.	
	31	US-6,272,368	08-07-01	Alexandrescu	
	32	US-6,405,072	06-11-02	Cosman	
	33	US-6,473,635	10-29-02	Rasche	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document Country Code ³ - Number ⁴ - Kind Code ⁵ (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YY	Name of Patentee or Application of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T ⁶

Examiner's
Signature

Church

Date
Considered

11/04

* EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

The collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing this form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.

If you need assistance in completing this form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.